MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know whether Government will consider the feasibility of it?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Government do not consider it necessary.

Admission to the Colleges.

140. *MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state the groundson which the applicants were granted or refused admission to the Junior Intermediate and Junior B. A. classes of the local Government Colleges this year (1936)?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag: Director of Public Instruction*):

For the Junior Intermediate Class.

Those who failed more than twice in the English School Leaving Certificate Examination and those who did not obtain the prescribed percentage of marks in certain subjects were refused admission. A few cases in which deficiency in one subject was compensated by good marks in another subject were granted admission.

For the Junior B. A. Class.

Those who appeard for the Intermediate Examination more than three times were refused admission.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know whether students who have appeared for the Intermediate Examination more than thrice have been admitted in Private Colleges in and outside the State?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): They may have been admitted.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know why such Colleges admit such students?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Because the Private Colleges in the State have not been able to accept these restrictions to the fullest extent. They have accepted the restrictions for the Junior Intermediate Class; but they have expressed their inability to accept the restrictions so far as the Junior B. A. Class is concerned.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know whether there is any order restricting admissions to the Junior Intermediate and the Junior B. A. Classes?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know whether Government passed the orders on their own initiative or on the recommendation of the Director of Public Instruction?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): The correspondence which passes between the Heads of Departments and Government is confidential.

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RAO SAHIB S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Nominated*): Has the principle laid down in the answer been observed in all cases in which exemption has been granted in the Science and the Arts Colleges except the one case relating to the backward community referred to by the member?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir. I believe so.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know the reason for prescribing special rules in the Government Colleges?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Government consider it necessary to prescribe these rules in the interests of the country and in the interests of the Colleges themselves.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know how the interests of the country and the interests of the Colleges are intended to be served by these restrictions?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Government consider it necessary, Sir, to discourage students, who do not possess even average capacity, from proceeding to higher education.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*) Have they felt that this is an effective way of discouraging students from studying in the Colleges?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): It is the most effective way Government have in their power.

Collection of fees in Schools and Colleges.

141. *MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether fees in Government English Schools and Colleges are collected in British coins or State coins;

(*b*) whether it has been brought to the notice of the Government that some English grant-in-aid schools are collecting fees in British coins; and

(*c*) whether they have permitted any school in the State to collect fees in British coins?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*):

(*a*) Both.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The question is not clear.

Government holdings in the Government of India Securities.

142. *MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to state the extent of their holdings in the 3½ per cent. non-terminable Government of India Securities as at the commencement of the current year (1111) and to state whether any portion has since been converted into other securities?

RAO BAHADUR A. RENGASWAMI AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): Government hold Government of India Securities of the 3½ per cent. Loan of 1879 (non-terminable) for Rs. 14,91,100. No part of it has been converted into other securities.

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